

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method, comprising:

~~playing a video on a video input device;~~
receiving an activate signal activating a video email feature;
sending a start clip signal responsive to said activate signal;
~~digitizing and storing~~ streaming video as an e-mail video clip responsive to said start clip signal at least a portion of said video;

receiving an end of clip a deactivate signal;
~~compressing said at least a portion of said video;~~
~~storing said at least a portion of said video;~~
launching an e-mail message in an e-mail application responsive to said end of clip deactivate signal; ~~[[and]]~~

~~automatically accessing said at least a portion from memory and~~ attaching said e-mail video clip at least a portion of said video as an attachment to said ~~[[an]]~~ e-mail message without user interaction responsive to the end of clip deactivate signal; and

transmitting the e-mail video clip as an attachment to said e-mail message to one or more selected recipient at least a portion to a predetermined recipient while the video player remains at the sender.

2. (currently amended) A method in accordance with claim 1, ~~wherein said compressing~~ further comprising attaching said e-mail video clip compressed in a default compression format and before transmitting, presenting an option for ~~comprises a user~~ selecting a different compression method.

3. (currently amended) A method in accordance with claim 1, wherein ~~[[said]]~~ receiving said end of clip ~~a deactivate~~ signal is responsive to a timeout of a timer.

4. (currently amended) A telecommunications device, comprising:

a video input device for generating video images, said video input device including a video control input;

a monitor for displaying said video images; and

a Web Access device including an e-mail module, said Web Access device configured to receive streaming video images from said video input device responsive to a start video e-mail command signal to said video control input, an end of clip signal to said video control input ~~[[and]]~~ automatically opening an e-mail message in ~~[[open]]~~ an e-mail compose window and attaching a video clip of said streaming video ~~[[attach]]~~, without user interaction, ~~said video images~~ to the e-mail message compose window responsive to said end of clip ~~the video e-mail command~~ signal, said clip for transmission as an attached to said e-mail message being transmitted to one or more selected file and transmit the video images to a predetermined recipient.

5. (currently amended) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 4, wherein signals from said video control module are provided responsive to e-mail command signal comprising a signal from a switch associated with said video input device.

6. (currently amended) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 4, wherein said Web Access device further includes a compression control module selecting a compression format for each transmitted clip attached to an e-mail message and signals from said video control module are provided responsive to e-mail command signal comprising a signal from a remote control switch associated with said video input device.

7. (currently amended) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 4, wherein signals from said video control module comprise e-mail command signal comprising a signal from a graphical user interface.

8. (currently amended) A telecommunications device according to claim 4, wherein said monitor is a television screen and said end of clip signal is provided responsive to a timer timeout.

9. (currently amended) A telecommunications device according to claim 8, wherein said Web Access Device comprises a personal computer and further includes a video control module supervising reception and storage of video clips, a compression control module selecting a compression format for each transmitted clip attached to an e-mail message and an e-mail control module activating and controlling e-mailing.

10. (currently amended) A method, comprising:

providing a video input device for generating video images, said video input device including a video control input;

providing a monitor for displaying said video images; and

providing a Web Access device including an e-mail module, said Web Access device configured to receive streaming video images from said video input device and automatically open an e-mail message in an e-mail compose window responsive to an end of clip [[a]] video e-mail command signal to said video control input and attach a video clip from said streaming video images to the e-mail message compose window responsive to the end of clip video e-mail command signal for transmission as an e-mail attachment to one or more selected attached e-mail file ~~and transmit the video images to a predetermined~~ recipient.

11. (currently amended) A method in accordance with claim 10, wherein signals from said video control module are provided responsive to e-mail command signal comprising a signal from a switch associated with said video input device.

12. (currently amended) A method in accordance with claim 10, wherein signals from said video control module are provided responsive to e-mail command signal comprising a signal from a remote control.

13. (currently amended) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 10, signals from said video control module ~~e-mail command signal~~ comprising a signal from a button associated with a graphical user interface.

14. (currently amended) A method in accordance with claim 10, wherein said monitor is a television screen and said end of clip signal is provided responsive to a timer timeout.

15. (currently amended) A method in accordance with claim 10, wherein said Web Access Device comprises a personal computer and further includes a video control module supervising reception and storage of video clips, a compression control module selecting a compression format for each transmitted clip attached to an e-mail message and an e-mail control module activating and controlling e-mailing.

16. (currently amended) A telecommunications system, comprising:

a local area network; and

a video e-mail system coupled to said local area network, the video e-mail system including:

a video input device for generating video images, said video input device including a video control input;

a monitor for displaying said video images; and

a Web Access device including an e-mail module, said Web Access device configured to receive streaming video images responsive to a start video e-mail command signal from said video control input ~~device~~ and automatically open an e-mail message in an e-mail compose window with a video clip said streaming video attached and attach, without user interaction, and said video images to the e-mail compose window responsive to an end of clip ~~[[the]]~~ video e-mail command signal for transmission as an e-mail attachment to one or more selected attached e-mail file to a predetermined recipient.

17. (currently amended) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 16, wherein at least one recipient is said e-mail comprises an e-mail for another entity on said LAN.

18. (currently amended) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 16, wherein at least one recipient is said e-mail comprises an e-mail for an entity external to said LAN.

19. (currently amended) A telecommunications device, comprising:

a video input device for capturing [[a]] video, said video input device including a video control input [[file]]; and

a Web Access device including an e-mail module, said Web Access device configured to receive streamed said video [[file]] from said video input device, said storing streaming video in a video clip file responsive to a start video e-mail command signal from said video control input and open an e-mail compose window and automatically opening an e-mail message and attaching attach said video clip file to the e-mail compose window responsive to an end of clip signal ending storing streaming video, said e-mail message with said attached video clip being sent to one or more selected recipient a video e-mail command signal for transmission as an attached e-mail file to a predetermined recipient, wherein the video e-mail command signal identifies a beginning of a capture of a video clip and causes the e-mail compose window to open.

20. (currently amended) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 19, wherein an end of a clip signal is identified via a manual end of clip command.

21. (currently amended) A telecommunications device in accordance with claim 19, wherein an end of a clip signal is provided responsive to is identified as a predetermined default end of clip period.

22. (currently amended) A telecommunications device, comprising:

a video input device for streaming generating video, said video input device including a video control input images;

a monitor for displaying said video images; and

a Web Access device including an e-mail module, said Web Access device configured to receive streaming video images from said video input device responsive to a start video e-mail command signal from said video control input and automatically open an e-mail compose

~~window~~ and attach a video clip of streamed video, without user interaction, ~~said video images to the e-mail compose window~~ responsive to an end of clip [[the]] video e-mail command signal, the e-mail being transmitted with the attached clip for transmission as an attached e-mail file and transmit the video images as a sole file attachment from a sender to a recipient.